

## Johnson, Johanna

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**From:** Fries, Gregory  
**Sent:** Friday, November 19, 2021 10:13 PM  
**To:** 'Gausmann'  
**Cc:** Viste, Doran; BPW Agenda; Phillips, Robert; Currie, Jael; 'mikhailkullen@gmail.com'  
**Subject:** RE: 2nd part of Gausmann appeal before the BPW.

Good Evening Steve,

All the members of the BPW's emails may be found at this location.

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Michael Cullen is the chair and he is copied.

I note your objections as described below. However, I do not believe those issues are under the jurisdiction of the BPW. As discussed by City Attorney Viste at the first BPW meeting you attended, the BPW determines if City Engineering has correctly applied the existing credits/adjustment policy that is in place as approved by the Common Council. I have copied Attorney Viste to correct or clarify, if my understanding is incorrect.

Thanks

Greg

**From:** Gausmann <gaus3866@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 18, 2021 8:35 PM  
**To:** Fries, Gregory <GFries@cityofmadison.com>; Currie, Jael <district16@cityofmadison.com>  
**Subject:** Re: 2nd part of Gausmann appeal before the BPW.

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Greg,

Received the informational letter. It was a nice gesture, But it didn't change the issues this annexation has brought to light. As it states in your letter, No taxes are used for the storm system. Any expansions to the system for development will be paid for by the development. Users will pay charges, Non users should be exempt from this til development comes. Rain water has been falling on these properties for hundreds of years and has been working just fine. When development comes and you start putting it in

pipes, that's the problem. You have to start at the bottom, give the water a place to go, I have talked to Janet about this flooding problem.

I had asked you for an email for the chair of the board, I see it only goes to the Agenda office, I want to CC the chair or the board to make sure they are understanding the whole situation,

Respectfully,  
Steve Gausmann

Thanks Steve

On Thu, Nov 18, 2021 at 12:14 PM Fries, Gregory <[GFries@cityofmadison.com](mailto:GFries@cityofmadison.com)> wrote:

Hello Steve,

The BPW referred your appeal to the Dec 15<sup>th</sup> BPW meeting. We will send you an invite to that meeting as that date nears.

For the BPW to deal with the issue at that meeting Engineering will need to receive your information no later than December 8th. That will allow adequate time to review the data and make a recommendation to the BPW.

If Engineering does not receive the information by December 8th, we will recommend to the BPW that they resolve your initial appeal (which did not include this information or request) and we will need to restart the process once we've have a recommendation on the information you are now providing. A new appeal would obviously only need to go to the BPW if you disagreed with Engineering's determination upon review the information you are going to provide.

Thanks

Greg

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**From:** Fries, Gregory  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 17, 2021 8:53 AM  
**To:** 'Gausmann' <[gaus3866@gmail.com](mailto:gaus3866@gmail.com)>  
**Cc:** BPW Agenda <[BPWAgenda@cityofmadison.com](mailto:BPWAgenda@cityofmadison.com)>  
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Morning Steve,

We can get **the appeal on the next BPW meeting which will be December 15<sup>th</sup>**. I have copied the team that works on the Board of Public Works Agenda – they can get your email to the Chair as you request.

With regard to the revisions to the final stormwater utility adjustment/credit policy – it is scheduled to go to the Common Council for introduction on Dec 7<sup>th</sup>, then to the BPW on Dec 15<sup>th</sup> to the Finance Committee in Jan and back to the Common Council for adoption in late January.

Thanks

Greg

**From:** Gausmann <[gaus3866@gmail.com](mailto:gaus3866@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, November 17, 2021 6:35 AM  
**To:** Fries, Gregory <[GFries@cityofmadison.com](mailto:GFries@cityofmadison.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: 2nd part of appeal before the BPW.

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Good Morning Greg,

I am sorry I haven't got all the information to you as of yet, I have been working with an engineer, it's all staked out, they flew it with a drone last week.

I gave him my deadline we had to meet. As of this morning I have not got a response from them, I know he was trying to work this into his schedule but did say he has

been short staffed. Is there a chance this can be set to the next meeting ? I was also checking to see what you have come up with with the new rate discussed at the last meeting.

Can you pass on to me the chairperson for the Board of public works Email, I would like to include him in what we have been discussing. If there is someone else you need me

to talk to about this please let me know, I have forwarded all the emails over to Melissa Agard (our State Senator) about the situation also. She brought up the same ordinance

about the farmland being exempt from stormwater. She did ask why we are being charged for service when we have no infrastructure in our area. I did explain where we were at

and the board was reviewing the issue. The Public Service Commission has also checked in with me to see if the matter has been resolved as of yet.

Again I apologize for any inconvenience this has caused.

If you can get back to me this morning would be great,

I will see if I can pick up the paperwork if it is done if need be.

Thank You,  
Steve Gausmann

have some rough plans  
here I can scan and send over

On Thu, Nov 11, 2021 at 10:54 AM Fries, Gregory <[GFries@cityofmadison.com](mailto:GFries@cityofmadison.com)> wrote:

Hello Mr. Gausmann,

Your matter is scheduled to go before the Board of Public Works next week (you will get an invite).

You had some additional information / survey to get me in advance of that.

I have not received anything that I know of.

Can you provide this information?

Does this appeal need to be delayed.

Please let me know.

Thanks

